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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. EVERETT].

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
July 24, 1996.

I hereby designate the Honorable TERRY EVERETT to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Rev. James David Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

Help us, O gracious God, to see more clearly a vision of life where good triumphs over evil, where health conquers sickness, where reconciliation prevails over intolerance, and where justice overcomes inequity. Too often we strain with our minds and struggle with ideas seeking that vision and we can be overwhelmed. So we pray, O God, that Your spirit will so abide with us and Your grace will forgive all that is past so that we cannot only see that vision where life is truly lived, but also walk in that good path prepared for us. Bless us this day and every day, we pray. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. ANDREWS] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. ANDREWS led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain ten 1-minutes on each side.

IN MEMORY OF KYLE AND AMY MILLER, PASSENGERS ON TWA FLIGHT 800

(Mr. HOLDEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HOLDEN. Mr. Speaker, it is with great sadness that I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me for a moment in memory of Kyle and Amy Miller of Tamaqua, PA.

Kyle and Amy were among the passengers on the TWA Flight 800 which crashed on route from New York to Paris last Wednesday night. They were on their way to Paris to celebrate their fifth wedding anniversary. Their loss, and the loss of all of the passengers and crew on the plane, was a horrible tragedy.

Kyle and Amy symbolized the American spirit and were outstanding members of their community. Kyle was a small businessman and owned part of his family hardware and plumbing businesses. Amy worked at the hardware store and was a member of the Tamaqua Area School Board. Her work in local education programs was out-

standing and she was the top vote-getter in both the primary and general election.

Both Amy and Kyle were well liked and well respected in the community. I would like to offer my condolences to their families. Amy and Kyle were very special young people and they will be missed greatly.

SHEDDING CROCODILE TEARS FOR AUSTRALIAN TAXPAYERS

(Mr. TRAFICANT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, I thought only American families spent an average of \$6,000 a year on burdensome regulations, but I guess Australia has come forward spending millions of dollars on a study to determine the dangers of crocodiles. And after millions, here is what they have determined.

First, never put your hand in a crocodile's mouth.

Second, never ride a crocodile. They can really hurt you.

Third, never try to collect crocodile eggs or baby crocs. Mama crocodiles get real mad.

And, finally, never ever attempt to capture a crocodile, especially if it is bigger than your boat.

Beam me up, Mr. Speaker. This is a crock of what? One thing for sure, America is not the only government that wastes money. But evidently the bureaucrat training school for meaningless redtape and regulations in America is now open to all of the government workers of the world, especially Australia.

I yield back the balance of all those crocodile tears for those Australian taxpayers.

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